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Committee ID: C00042366

Reference: 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/08-10/15/08)

Dear Ms. Winship:

This responds to your letter dated March 11, 2009, concerning the above referenced FEC report.

- 1. With respect to the negative entries on Schedule B, supporting Line 21b, to off-set previously reported federal operating expenditures that have been re-classified as independent expenditures on Schedule E, supporting Line 24, please refer to the Attachment which explains the correlation between the negatives on Line 21b and the expenditures reported on Line 24.
- 2. Regarding the possible missing or late filing of the 48-Notice of Independent Expenditure it appears that the FEC is missing the Committee's 48-Hour Notice of Independent Expenditure dated 10/8/08 which covers disseminations made on 10/6/08 for SquierKnappDunn, Bright Ideas Creative, Inc and Shorr Johnson Magnus. Attached is a copy of the 10/08/08, 48 Hour Report and the Transmission Verification Report.

Regarding the 10/13/08 expenditure to Fuse, Inc. for \$1,695.00 (\$847.50 opposing Dole and \$847.50 supporting Hagan), we did not receive the invoice until 10/13/08. Every effort is made by this Committee to ensure that independent expenditures are reported timely on the 48-Hour Notices of Independent Expenditure. It should be noted that the Committee did report \$782,707.72 in independent expenditures for Hagan/Dole on 10/2/08 that were disseminated on 9/30/08.

The dissemination date for the 10/13/08 expenditure to Fuse, Inc. for \$1,680.00 (\$840.00 opposing Dole and \$840.00 Supporting Hagan) is 10/13/08. We have amended the 12 Day Pre-General Report to remove the erroneous reference to 9/30/08.

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